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Section 1. Preliminary Statements

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Section 2. PTO 1449 (Now Forms PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

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Section 4. Concise Explanation of English Language Listed Information Items

1. United States Pat. No. 5,794,694, issued to Smith, Jr., published on August 18, 1998
Describes a running tool for running liners on coiled tubing. A torque-transmitting outer sleeve is employed, initially trapping the collets. The collets are engaged to the liner and locked in a secure position, regardless of whether the liner is placed in tension or compression by the running tool. Release is accomplished by letting down weight on the running tool, coupled with hydraulic pressure to shear a pin securing the collet mechanism. Upon release, the outer torque sleeve shifts downwardly to prevent relatching. If the tool does not release in the normal manner, a twist off release feature is provided.

2. Great Britain No. GB-A-2369136, issued to Toolbox Drilling Solutions Limited, published on May 22, 2002

Discloses a down-hole tool for drilling, particularly a down-hole stabiliser, which is relatively short and minimizes mechanical contact between components in order to reduce opportunity for jamming and wear. The stabiliser is adjustable, with a mandrel that is axially slidable in the body bore to actuate and de-actuate the tool. A control piston in the mandrel alternately directs drilling mud pumped under pressure to the chambers to drive the mandrel hydraulically to actuate and de-actuate the tool. The control piston is slidable in the mandrel bore against the force of a return spring by drilling mud pressure from a low-pressure position to a pressure position.

Section 5. Identification of Person(s) Making This Information Disclosure Statement

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